

CONNECT!

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE THEIR WAY

Welcome to the latest Connect bulletin. We have had a lovely month with Easter holiday activities - pizza making, kayaking, pedalos, arts and crafts, a new Minecraft club and a goat sanctuary visit!



This newsletter contains details of upcoming activities in the May half term, Among Us and Minecraft clubs, afterschool activities in Maidstone, Tonbridge and Malling and further details on our new Free 2 Be Me project for LGBTQ+ young people.



Half Term:

Tuesday 30th May: 10am-1pm

Fishing session with Castathought at Mercure Great Danes

Wednesday 31st May: 10am-12pm

Chocolate Making Workshop at Temper Temper Chocolate in Southborough

Wednesday 31st May: 3-4.30pm

Football session with Ballable at Ryarsh Village Hall

Thursday 1st June: 12-3pm

Be You LGBTQ+ group in Maidstone

Friday 2nd June: 9.30am-12pm

Bushcraft and fencing at Lower Grange Farm in Sandling, Maidstone



We run gaming sessions online via Microsoft Teams. You then play Among Us and Minecraft on the device you normally play your games.

Among Us

- Tuesday 16th May: 5-6pm
- Thursday 15th June: 5-6pm
- Thursday 6th July: 5-6pm
- Thursday 20th July: 5-6pm



Minecraft

- Thursday 11th May: 5-6pm
- Thursday 8th June: 5-6pm
- Thursday 29th June: 5-6pm
- Thursday 13th July: 5-6pm



To book a space on any activity, contact Amelia on:
amelia.kury@involvekent.org.uk or call / text 07474 708132.

Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make the session more accessible for you.

After School Activities:

Tonbridge Connect - Tuesdays from 5-6.30pm

Tonbridge Youth Hub, 2 Danvers Rd, Tonbridge TN9 1TR

- 9th May - Art session with polymer clay
- 13th June - Dino Mini Golf (TBC)
- 27th June - Cooking / baking
- 11th July - Clip N Climb (TBC)



Malling Connect - Tuesdays from 5-6.30pm

Snodland Community Centre, Paddlesworth Rd, Snodland, ME6 5DP

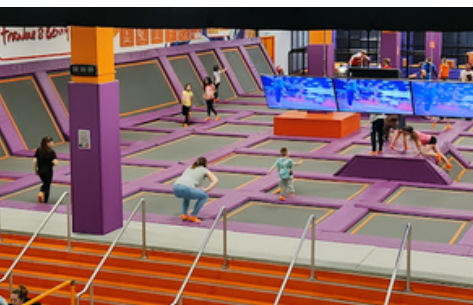
- 23rd May - Intro session with a range of activities (including polymer clay)
- 20th June - Boxing / Self Defence (TBC)
- 4th July - Amazing Animal Encounters
- 18th July - Outdoor Summer games



Maidstone Connect - Wednesdays from 5-6.30pm

St Luke's Church, Foley Street, Maidstone, ME14 5AR

- 3rd May - Coronation craft
- 10th May - Indoor sports & games
- 17th May - Boxing / Self Defence (TBC)
- 24th May - Square Pegs drama session
- 14th June - Art session with polymer clay
- 28th June - Amazing Animal Encounters
- 5th July - Gravity Trampolining & Mini Golf
- 12th July - Visit to Buttercups Goat Sanctuary (TBC)



Free 2 Be Me: LGBTQ+ Group for 16+ Young People

Free 2 Be Me is a project that we are running in collaboration with the BeYou service that Porchlight offers. In total, there will be 8 sessions for young people who are neurodiverse and identify as LGBTQ+ or would like to know how to support their LGBTQ+ peers.

The first 4 sessions will take place before the Summer holidays and the second 4 will take place in the Autumn Term. The sessions will take place in Maidstone town centre (please contact Amelia for full venue details).

- Thursday 1st June: 12-3pm
- Saturday 17th June: 12-3pm
- Saturday 8th July: 12-3pm
- Thursday 27th July: 1-4pm



At our first session, we will order pizza and will make our own badges, in addition to learning some basic relaxation and destressing techniques.

If you would like more information to get involved, please contact Amelia on: amelia.kury@involvekent.org.uk or call / text 07474 708132.